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SUBJECT: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC REQUEST FOR SOVIET TIGER FILMS

FOR SCI/EN, MR. KULICK

REF: STATE 245026

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM BOGDANOV THAT NOVOSTI PRESS AGENCY IS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN OBTAINING TIGER FILMS FOR NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC. BOGDANOV STRESSED THAT MINAG WILL BE OF WHATEVER ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE IN THIS PROJECT, BUT THAT ALL REQUESTS SHOULD GO TO NOVOSTI.

2. NOVOSTI HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT IT IS PREPARING TO PRODUCE A "MASTER" OF THE FILM "TIGER CATCHERS" FOR NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM MR. CAINE OF THE SOCIETY'S TELEVISION DIVISION. ACCORDING TO MRS. KILOSANIDSE OF NOVOSTI, THE TECHNICIAN WHO IS TO MAKE THE "MASTER" IS ILL AT THE PRESENT TIME. HOWEVER, MRS. KILOSANIDSE ASSURED THE EMBASSY THAT THE "MASTER" WILL BE MADE AND SENT TO NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC IN WASHINGTON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. AS FAR AS EMBASSY CAN DETERMINE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH BOGDANOV AND NOVOSTI "TIGER CATCHERS" IS THE ONLY FILM TO BE PROVIDED TO NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC. BOGDANOV DISCLAIMED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOURS LENGTH FILM REFERRED TO IN BOORSTIN'S OCTOBER LETTER TO THE EMBASSY.

4. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC AND NOVOSTI
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ARE APPARENTLY IN DIRECT WORKING CONTACT REGARDING THE FILMS

IN QUESTION, THE EMBASSY DOES NOT PLAN TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION
IN THIS MATTER UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT REQUESTS IT DO SO.
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